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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Lizhang Yang

Examiner: Kevin S. Wood

Serial No.: 10/687,195

Group Art Unit: 2874

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Docket No.: 58829US002

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR TRANSITIONING FIBER OPTIC CABLES

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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	-	3		x 200.00 =	\$0.00
[ ] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED						\$
TOTAL						\$0.00

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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 24, 2006. Please consider the following:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.